# **BEARFACTS** 1996 – 2006 Wasco , Oregon [41065]

Wasco is one of 36 counties in Oregon. It is part of the City of The Dalles, OR Micropolitan SA. Its 2006 population of 23,585 ranked 23rd in the state.

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Wasco had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,720. This PCPI ranked 19th in the state and was 83 percent of the state average, \$33,299, and 76 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 7.4 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 5.4 percent and the national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Wasco was \$20,430 and ranked 16th in the state. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.6 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Wasco had a total personal income (TPI) of \$653,779\*. This TPI ranked 23rd in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1996 the TPI of Wasco was \$473,373\* and ranked 21st in the state. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 8.1 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 7.2 percent and the national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Wasco. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 56.2 percent of TPI (compared with 56.5 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 21.5 percent (compared with 25.3 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 22.3 percent (compared with 18.2 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 7.7 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 12.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.5 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 3.2 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 1.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.4 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Wasco increased from \$390,147\* in 2005 to \$420,441\* in 2006, an increase of 7.8 percent. The 2005-2006 state change was 6.2 percent and the national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$292,379\* to the 2006 estimate was 3.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.2 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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